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TITLE 13: DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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The Department of Motor Vehicles (the department) proposes to amend Section 350.24, in Chapter 1, Division 1, Article 5, of Title 13, California Code of Regulations, concerning the surety bond for a Commercial Requester Account with access to address information.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing regarding this proposed regulatory action is not scheduled. However, a public hearing will be held if any interested person or his or her duly authorized representative requests a public hearing to be held relevant to the proposed action by submitting a written request to the contact person identified in this notice no later than 5:00 P.M., fifteen (15) days prior to the close of the written comment period.

DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS

Any interested person or his or her duly authorized representative may submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulations to the contact person identified in this notice. All written comments must be received at the department no later than 5:00 P.M. on *February 7, 2005*, the final day of the written comment period, in order for them to be considered by the department before it adopts the proposed regulations.

AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

The department proposes to adopt the proposed action under the authority granted by Vehicle Code sections 1651 and 1810, in order to implement, interpret or make specific Vehicle Code section 1810.2.

INFORMATIVE DIGEST/POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW

Vehicle Code section 1810.2 allows the department to establish commercial requester accounts for the purpose of requesting and receiving driver license, identification card and vehicle registration information from the department. Commercial requesters that have a legitimate business need to obtain residence address information from the department's records must file a bond in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

The department has reviewed all of its surety bonds and has developed standard language for the bond forms and regulations associated with each bond based on the authorizing statute(s). The surety bond required for a commercial requester account with access to address information has been amended and submitted to the Attorney General for approval. Section 350.24, which identifies the bond requirements for commercial requester accounts, is proposed to be amended for consistency with the modified language of the bond and to reflect the requirements of the authorizing and governing statutes.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Commercial Requester Account Bond form INF 1132 (REV. 7/2004) is incorporated by reference in Title 13, Section 350.24, California Code of Regulations. The form is not published in Title 13 because it would be impractical and cumbersome to publish the form in the department's regulations. The form will be published in the California Code of Regulations, Title 11, after it has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

- Cost Or Savings To Any State Agency: None.
- Other Non-Discretionary Cost or Savings to Local Agencies: None.
- Costs or Savings in Federal Funding to the State: None.
- <u>Cost Impact on Representative Private Persons or Businesses</u>: The department is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action. This regulation is proposed to amend the current regulations. The proposed regulations would identify the required surety bond form and clarify the conditions of the bond.
- Effect on Housing Costs: None.

DETERMINATIONS

The department has made the following initial determinations concerning the proposed regulatory action:

- The proposed regulatory action will not have a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states. No studies or data were relied upon in support of this proposal.
- The adoption of this regulatory action will neither create nor eliminate jobs or create businesses in the state of California, will not result in the elimination of existing businesses, and will not reduce or expand businesses currently doing business in the state of California.
- The proposed regulatory action will not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts, or a mandate that requires reimbursement pursuant to part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of the Government Code.
- The proposed regulatory action will affect small businesses because the proposed regulatory action identifies the surety bond form and clarifies the bond conditions under the California Code of Civil Procedure and the Vehicle Code.

PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

A pre-notice workshop, pursuant to Government Code section 11346.45, is not required because the issues addressed in the proposal are not so complex or large in number that they cannot be reviewed during the comment period.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The department must determine that no reasonable alternative considered by the department or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the department would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed, or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action.

CONTACT PERSON

Inquiries relevant to the proposed action and questions on the substance of the proposed regulations should be directed to the department representative, Christie Patrick,

Department of Motor Vehicles, P.O. Box 932382, Mail Station E-244, Sacramento, California 94232-3820; telephone number (916) 657-5567, or cpatrick@dmv.ca.gov. In the absence of the department representative, inquiries may be directed to the Regulations Coordinator, Deborah Baity, at (916) 657-5690 or e-mail dbaity@dmv.ca.gov. The fax number for the Regulations Branch is (916) 657-1204.

AVAILABILITY OF STATEMENT OF REASONS AND TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The department has prepared an initial statement of reasons for the proposed action, and has available all the information upon which the proposal is based. The contact person identified in this notice shall make available to the public upon request the express terms of the proposed action using underline or italics to indicate additions to, and strikeout to indicate deletions from, the California Code of Regulations. The contact person identified in this notice shall also make available to the public upon request the final statement of reasons once it has been prepared and submitted to the Office of Administrative Law, and the location of public records, including reports, documentation and other materials related to the proposed action. In addition, the above-cited materials (the Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action, the Initial Statement of Reasons and Express Terms) may be accessed at www.dmv.ca.gov/about/lad/regactions.htm.

AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED TEXT

Following the written comment period, and the hearing if one is held, the department may adopt the proposed regulations substantially as described in this notice. If modifications are made which are sufficiently related to the originally proposed text, the fully modified text, with changes clearly indicated, shall be made available to the public for at least 15 days prior to the date on which the department adopts the resulting regulations. Request for copies of any modified regulations should be addressed to the department contact person identified in this notice. The department will accept written comments on the modified regulations for 15 days after the date on which they are first made available to the public.